

DR. WORRALL ON DANCING.

Another Presbyterian Divine Expresses His Opinion on the Subject.

Chicago Inter-Ocean

The Rev. Dr. Worrall, pastor of the Eighth Presbyterian church was last evening asked to give his views on the subject of dancing which has recently created somewhat of a stir among the stricter class of church going people, and he replied briefly as follows:

"Our church has no set rule. Our principle is that a man becoming a Christian and entering the church promises to live so as to advance himself in divine knowledge and a christian life. Whatever tends to weaken either of these we regard as wrong and insist upon him giving them up. But it is left very much to the conscience and judgment of the member what it is that is injurious to him unless it so gross an offense as is manifestly condemned by the word of God. Now the habit of amusement which a man allows himself are injuriousness or harmful more by their relationships than in themselves considered. Therefore dealing with members of the church, we try to consider the circumstances of each case and act upon it as the nature and surroundings may demand. Dancing is one of those amusements which by association, may or may not be evil, and must be tried according to the wisdom and prudence of those who have in charge a particular case. I regard whatever is harmful to a man's christian life as for him wrong; whatever is not detrimental to his christian life, or injurious to the christian life to others who are indifferent. There are three things to be considered in the matter—association, frequency, and surroundings. A man may for the entertainment of his friends or for his family, have dancing in his private parlors. Such indulgence is not harmful. If one indulges in this amusement by frequent attendance at balls, to the exclusion of higher and better things, he is doing wrong. If he associates with company whose influence is immoral he is again doing wrong. There is company that, not a man of high character, much less a christian, would associate with."

SECRETARY Folger has called \$20,000, 000 of the extended sixes of 1861.

Miss Annie Louise Cary is credited with the possession of \$450,000 all earned by singing.

It was almost within the shadow of a university that a man was lynched at Athens, Ohio.

THE Western Kentucky Press Association will hold its annual meeting at Frankfort January 12th.

THE decrease of the national debt for the month of November was over seven millions of dollars.

THE proceedings of the New York Tariff Convention do not show any new reason why "protection protects" the people of the United States. It only enriches the rich.

THE nomination of the Hon. J. B. Beck for re-election to the Senate by the Legislature caucus, will be most gratifying to his friends throughout the country. His reputation is national and as a statesman stands at the head of his party. In returning Mr. Beck to his place in the Senate the Democracy have honored themselves.

BY TELEGRAPH.

The gas works at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., burned Friday. Loss, \$250,000.

A plot has been discovered in Russia to assassinate the Czar's brother.

Mrs. Hattie Jones drowned at Madison, Ind.

L. W. Harris killed by cars at Cannelton W. Va.

John Ediox killed by a falling tree at Kent, O.

Geo. Lafrance's child scalded to death at Akron, O.

James Carr's house burned at Salem, O. Loss, \$2,500.

Dan. Leatherman killed by a falling tree near Greencastle, Ind.

At Montreal the half yearly dividends paid amounted to \$1,000,000.

The body of a man named Argroves was found riddled with bullets at Rock Mount, Georgia.

At Brimingham, Ala., Miss Sellers, while passing through the woods was assaulted by a negro named Halcomb, who left her for dead. The negro was afterward captured and fearing lynching, took strychnine and died in great agony.

At Ironton, O., Friday, there was strong talk of lynching the murderers of Dr. Jas. A. Beggs.

Advices from Caldwell, Kansas, says that Danford, the defaulting bank cashier, under threats of death made by his depositors, has disgorged thirty thousand dollars.

Five hundred rolling mill hands are on a strike at Joliet, Ill.

Thomas Hughes and his brother Hastings, have retired from the management of the Rugby colony.

Hon. J. B. Sparks, sheriff of Poinsett county Ark., was thrown from his buggy and fatally injured.

The Guiteau trial continues to drag its slow length along. The prisoner is still playing the lunatic, and delays the trial by his actions. On Friday he became provoked at Judge Porter's questions and stubbornly refused to reply to them. Nothing new was developed during the day.

Mark Thompson, a negro highwayman, was captured at Dawson, Ga., beaten to death and buried in a swamp.

Four murders within a few miles are reported near Rio Grande City, Texas.

At midnight, Thursday, the boiler in the Wadsworth coal mine near Dolestown, Ohio, burst. John Steniline aged twenty-one was scalded and cannot recover. Another miner was injured also. The wounded men had to be carried half a mile to reach the surface.

THE Albany (N. Y.) Argus, says: The election of Mr. Riddleburgher, as a Senator of Virginia, will gratify Messrs. Hoar, Dawes, Hawley and the other republicans who have given aid and comfort to what is sheer repudiation in Virginia; but there are republicans, to whom hard money and par payments are not barren idealities, and who will see in Riddleburgher republicanism nothing of which to be very proud. It is high-tide with political immorality just now. And the party that rides with that tide is the republican. The moral sense of the American people, however, is certain to assert itself, and then the hideousness of repudiation will be seen in all its true colors.

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